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Plan Calls for "New UB," Faces Many Hurdles

by Jessica Han

The Vision Committee, appointed by President Eigel, has developed a long-range plan to re-position the University as a quality institution of higher learning.

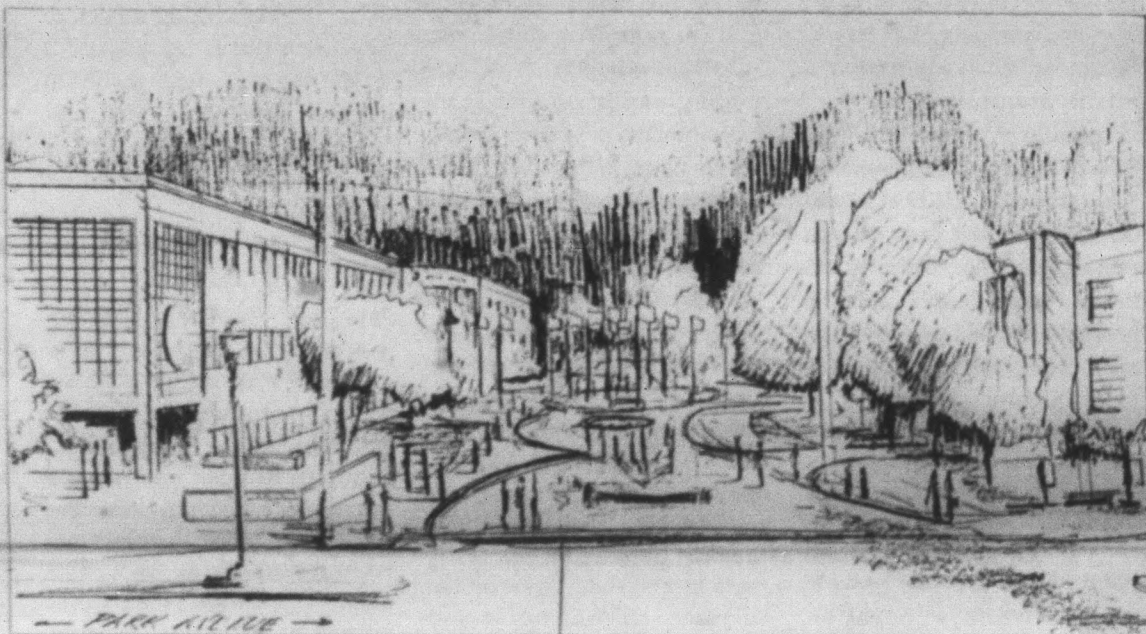
"The University was at a point where it needed a long-range plan so it can determine its future to set some basic goals that would guide it for its development for the next 10 years or so," as Chairman of the committee, Dean Anthony Guerra, observed.

"The purpose of this committee was to move the University from a regional level of quality to a national and international University and to develop a program to make it a truly distinctive institution," says Dean Guerra.

The Growth Plan

Many proposals have been recommended by the committee. The "Growth Plan" seeks to change the campus' image from an urban attachment to a "park-like" seaside campus.

Academically, the University plans to build on areas where they have proven to be successful and to develop in new areas that may interest and be necessary for the students of the future. Their immediate goal in the next four to five years is to strengthen the undergraduate programs and to create new undergraduate degrees. Some of the studies that will be initiated include: Marine Science; a Physicians Assistant program; Engineering, Computers and Manufacturing; Gerontology; Alternative Medicine; Urban Studies; International Studies; Study of World Religions; and Foreign Language and Civilization concentrating in Korean, Japanese, and Chinese. The B.A. in these areas, according to the plan, will be available by 1997



UB as presented in the "Vision Plan."
Sketched by Donald McIntyre, Professor of Design.

depending on State approval and masters program will be available by 1999. Doctoral programs could be offered by the year 2000.

"The plan addresses all different areas—it addresses how we are going to fix the buildings, because people cannot work if there is a leakage or if there is no heat. It also addresses academic programs, quality, reputation, and to re-establish the University to take it to a point where it was internationally recognized," says President Eigel.

Besides the new academic programs and proposals, the plan bolsters the urban and global mission of the University. For example, they would like to have more energy conservation, have an accessible building with food service available for the handicapped, a bookstore with a bank and a post office, and also work with the city of

Bridgeport to institute traffic signs guiding visitors to the University.

Some of the plan's loftier goals include: having a world-wide reputation for providing an international experience both academically and culturally; to project an image that no student group feels that he or she is a "foreign" student on campus; to secure and retain full accreditation from state, regional, and national accrediting

bodies; to assure the academic and financial standards set by the accrediting bodies; and to provide U.B. students with the broad cultural knowledge and experiences. In addition, the plan proposes to have a "World Peace Hall Of Fame Museum" honoring faculty members that have contributed to world peace.

To build more programs and facilities, many new faculty members will have to be hired. "To me, a great univer-

sity, which is what we want to create, has two things. It has great faculty and great students. A large part of the students' role is their commitment to study and to be in the intellectual life," says Dean Guerra.

Who Pays?

So how is this expansion possible? Building new programs and facilities requires millions of dollars in new revenue. Where will the University find the means of money?

"At the University of Bridgeport, in our budget, we do not have the means of implementing these recommendations. So, if we think we are relying on the income here, there is no way," says Dean Guerra.

To President Eigel, enrollment will be the biggest source of income. "Over the next three to four years, we have to get an enrollment where the tuition paid by the students can support the University. That is, we have to get to the point where we can no longer depend on the money of PWPA as a major source of money," he says. According to the President, "Enrollment will be increased

if the programs are good, high quality programs, including the facilities. If the programs are in the areas and professions that a student is interested in and can assure a good job when he or she receives the degree, then the students will come."

Dean Guerra believes that the alumni of the University of Bridgeport will be a source of income. "As the University develops and the alumni realize that not only U.B. is still in existence but it is a better institution and as they see the value rise, many will support the University. The University has 30,000 alumni, that is a tremendous source of resources," he says.

The Role of PWPA

Michael Beecher, the University's Treasurer, considers the Professors of World Peace Academy (PWPA) as the major source of income. "If we can get an agreement from the professors of World Peace Academy, we can find support for the additional funding that is required. That is where it will principally come," he says.

Beginning of Fall 1992, the PWPA made an agreement to supply \$50 million over five years. According to President Eigel, the agreement between the PWPA and the University will never end. "They can supply more money if they want to and we are talking to them about that. Then for three more years, the agreement will continue and at the end of eight years, if everything is going fine, then

See Vision Plan, page 3.



News

The Beeper—A Dead Issue?

by Justin Harding

To beep or not to beep is not the question anymore. The Personal Alarm Device (PAD) is here to stay, whether students like it or not. The mandatory fee stance has caused a reaction on campus that was not anticipated from the original presentation to Administration and Student Congress last spring. The system has been on-line for two

weeks now and has drawn the attention of the CNN, the Connecticut Post, and ABC News.

"I don't even carry the 'beeper' with me anymore. I just leave it in my room," commented a U.B. student. As of now, there have been close to 100 false alarms reported all over campus. This is what attracted an ABC news crew to the university. The four-person team spent the afternoon taping students carrying their beeper on their key-chains, and interviewing students about their opinions regarding the PAD.

Despite the false alarms, David M. Corderman, the Regional Marketing Director for Secure System Inc. remains optimistic about the "beeper." "Presently the system is about 90% accurate," Corderman said. "The students' PAD is located on the computer map of campus, along with a biological profile of the students. Then the people in the field respond to the call." Corderman continued, "The crime situation in Bridgeport is not really so bad, but (the town's) reputation is. The funny thing is that other schools with serious crime problems don't want this security system because they are afraid it will give them a negative image."

There are other security systems in place in other universities. For example, at Yale

University there is a Blue Light system. Phones with a direct link to Campus Police are scattered about the campus. A blue light, very similar to the one you may have seen flashing in between Barnum and Seeley, goes off when the call for help is made. The blue light system is also prone to many false alarms.

"As of yet there have been no malicious false alarms set-off by students," commented Mr. Mooney, director of Campus Security. Usually, the case is the student has put his/her beeper in his/her backpack and an object triggered the device. One woman who left her child for a moment in her car, returned to find him pressing the device. Another student who was undergoing treatment at the Chiropractic clinic accidentally set his alarm off as well. These are typical situations that have led the bike patrol and foot patrol on so many false alarms.

Mr. Mooney notes, "The system is very accurate and the guys responding to the alarm are quick. The average time is a little under two minutes for each call." However, Mr. Mooney made it clear that "the beeper is not infallible. The system is in its beginnings and has some quirks to iron out. To be on the safe side, all students should stick to the basics." The basics are not walking alone at night, staying on lighted walkways etc. "And, of course, by calling secu-

rity you can still receive an escort to guide you to your dorm or class," continued Mr. Mooney. "Please don't take these basics for granted."

A minor setback in the "beeper" system is the relay of information to the security men in the campus. Officer Torres commented, "I don't have a picture of the person calling for help like they do at head quarters. So if I go into the Marina or a class room, there may be several students with the same description." Otherwise he agreed with his partner, Officer Sergio Nunez, that the system is effective.

Many students have come to the Public Safety to test try their beeper, and were glad to see that it works. "The beeper makes me feel safe when I walk from my class at night back to the dormitory," remarked a Korean student who wishes to remain anonymous. Any student can come and have his/her beeper tested out at the Public Safety building.

On the other hand, the majority of students are still in an uproar over the fact that they were misled, since they were originally told that the purchase of the PAD would be optional, not mandatory. In response, a group of Russian students are organizing a petition concerning the "beeper" issue, to be presented to the Administration - this issue was the main point of conversation at the last Student Congress meeting.

A committee to research the "beeper" issue, appointed by

Roshan Thiran, has been successful at pushing this issue through the right channels to reach a seemingly inaccessible administration. The committee has managed to present a list of ten grievances to the University Senate. The issue will be on the agenda for the October 25 meeting that will be held in the Jacobson 103 of Mandeville hall. These meetings are open to all students and faculty.

A member on the research committee is Cathleen Horne. She has conducted surveys in all four dormitories, met with Vice President of Finances Mike Beecher, and gone to such lengths as to contact the school lawyer to see if the administration committed a "breach of contract" clause of business. She stressed at the last Student Congress meeting, "We're not against the security system. However, we feel that we were not well informed, and that we were taken advantage of by the administration. This is our main complaint." At the same meeting, the Bursar, John Polascik also expressed his views about the "beeper" issue: "You're beating a dead horse. You will have to pay anyway, and if you don't you will not be allowed to register for next semester, or receive your grades."

UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT
Department of Campus Security
October 15, 1994

ENTER OFFICE BUILDINGS

TO: U.B. Campus Community
FROM: James E. Mooney - Secretary of Security
SUBJECT: Campus Security System
DATE: October 15, 1994

It has come to our attention that some persons have been leaving their keys in the lock of their dormitory room. This is a serious security problem and we must be able to get off campus a false alarm.

IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE PERSONAL KEYS TO THEIR DORMITORY ROOMS, PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE AND DO NOT LEAVE THEIR KEYS IN THE LOCK OF THEIR ROOM. IT IS REQUESTED THAT ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE PERSONAL KEYS TO THEIR DORMITORY ROOMS, PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE AND DO NOT LEAVE THEIR KEYS IN THE LOCK OF THEIR ROOM.

Enclosure can be seen section. Reading through Friday before the start of the school year, October 15, 1994. The enclosure will take approximately 10-15 minutes and will take your attention to the fact that you must be responsible and do not leave your keys in the lock of your dormitory room.

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Student Congress Fined

by Justin Harding

The Executive Board of last year's Student Government pleaded guilty to nine violations of the University's Alcohol Policy.

According to two former members of Student Congress, during last year's Spring Week, Congress allocated \$100 to the Spirit Committee headed by Leticia Pizzaro. This money was designated for buying food and barbecuing supplies for a "Chicken Roast," one of the many activities of the Spring Week. However, an unidentified member of the committee

used the money to buy a keg of beer for the Chicken Roast. The day of the event it rained, and, in effect, the Chicken Roast was canceled. However, the following day, without an advisor present and off campus grounds, this event took place. An underage U.B. student became intoxicated before he returned to his dormitory. Shortly after this student left the "party," he had to be taken to a nearby hospital by ambulance, after repeatedly smashing his head into a wall until it bled.

The bottom line is that this year's Student Congress must put aside \$2300, and that's that. There's no more debate over the

issue," stated Wallace Southerland 111, in the role of the University Judicial Officer.

"I never heard about this \$2300 fine," remarked U.B. student Raymond Diaz. "I think it's unfair and wrong. Why should this year's Congress have to pay for mistakes made last year. We could do a lot of things with the \$2300."

As of now, the Student Congress has set aside this money, as directed by the Judicial Officer. According to President Roshan Thiran, the money "will become a fund to support events related to drug and alcohol education on cam-

pus."

Mr. Southerland added, "This fund is open, like grant money, to any student, club, faculty, or administrator who would like to submit a proposal to hold such an event." There's no time limit for this money. It will stay in the fund until respective applicants submit proposals.

Last year's Executive Committee, representatives of the entire Student Congress, who pled guilty to the charges were: former president Jeff Lemberg, former Vice-President Leticia Pizzaro, and Kathleen Horne, who held both the posi-

Resource Center Open For Tutoring Services

As you enter the Academic Resource Center for the first time, you immediately notice the warm, inviting atmosphere. There are shelves filled with books, magazines and newspapers are in abundance. Students

are working alone, or in groups. Some are there simply because it is an inviting place to study, and some are there for specialized tutoring help.

In the living room you will probably find Dianna Cooper-Davis tutoring a group in math. The large, bright room off the

living room is filled with English 115x students being led by Terry Hogan-Pavlic and Peter Chuen. On the glassed-in porch are groups of people being tutored by the work-study students.

Although there is always a lot of activity going on at the Center, the atmosphere is

always quiet and definitely focused on learning. Each time you come to the Academic Resource Center you must sign in at the front desk. If you are there for the first time, someone

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Vision Plan

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all of the money that has been advanced by the PWPA will change from a loan to a grant. This will free the University from the burden of these heavy debts," he says. President Eigel stressed that the agreement is indefinite until both parties agree, to break it off. "Another 30 million along with the 50 million agreement would be needed to begin all the programs," he added.

According to President Eigel, the tuition will increase modestly but less than inflation. Scholarships will still continue but as the enrollment increases, the University plans to decrease University funded scholarships. The scholarships will probably be funded by government and private grants.

The financial issue does not seem to concern Dean Guerra. "I don't think the financial issue is our biggest problem. More the issue is the University working together, faculty, administration, and even the students to step by step see the careful development of the programs. Leadership is necessary to bring the University to a new level," he says.

Enrollment is crucial in developing an "outstanding" University. According to the final draft of the Vision Plan, a plan for a projected enrollment of 3000 to 6000 students is being presented to the Board of Trustees. With the additional programs, the vision committee projects that as many as 5000 to 8000 students could be sewed including students from campuses in Bridgeport, Stamford, Trumbull, and Waterbury sites.

U.B. also plans to move into the arena of distance education. According to the plan, "In the year 2010, and maybe as early as 2001, institutions of higher education, like U.B., which are successful will be educating 10 to 20 times the number of students taking courses on campuses through the telecommunications delivery systems, interactive video, on-line computers, and cable TV stations." In addition to the aforementioned 5000 to 8000 students, the University should have 50,000 to 160,000 registered students who will either take courses using new educational technologies or at off-

campus learning centers.

"In order for this University to do any of the things it wants, we must increase enrollment. For the number of programs we have and the size of the campus, we must have more

Johnson, Life Trustee; Sharon Klebe, Director of University of Bridgeport, Stamford Center; Donald McIntyre, Professor of Design; Janet Merritt, Dean of Students; Andrew Nelson, Director of

Summer 1993, Fall 1993, with weekly meetings during this past summer.

From this committee, three subcommittees were formed to discuss certain issues, such as academic programs, campus environment

bring U.B. to the status of a highly competitive, medium-sized university with a reputation for "providing an international and urban experience both academically and culturally."

"I want everyone on campus to know that the plan is there and available for everyone to read. So if people want to read it and make some comments, let us know what they think is good or bad in writing. I have received a good number of comments from around the campus but very few from students," says President Eigel. A copy of the final draft of the Vision Plan is available at the Wahlstrom Library on reserve.

While the vision plan committee proposes a bright future for U.B., many obstacles need to be overcome before this "vision" can become a true story.



Chairman Dean Guerra describes the new plan

students," President Eigel emphasized.

"Unification Church?"

Another concern is what the University's relationship will be with the PWPA, and by extension, to the Unification Church in the future. "Obviously, because the Professors of World Peace Academy is supported significantly by funding from the Unification Church, there will have to be some consensuses from what's represented of the Unification Church. They will not have a direct influence, but partially of course," says Beecher.

The committee stresses "international," "global," and "world peace" throughout the plan. "Most universities favor world peace. That is not a sectarian thing at all," argues Dean Guerra. According to President Eigel, the University of Bridgeport will remain as a non-sectarian school. "One of my jobs is to make sure the school does not violate its charter, which says it is non-denominational," he says.

The committee is comprised of faculty members, administrators, and trustees: Chairman Dr. Anthony Guerra, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs; Richard Allen, Professor of English; Paul Bauer, Director of Management Engineering; Mike Beecher, Vice President for Administration and finance; Treasurer; Mike Bisciglia, Chief University Relations Officer; Richard Harper, Director of Education and Human Resources; Geraldine

Admissions; and Phillip V. Sanchez, Ambassador.

The committee met on a regular basis. Beginning in the Fall 1992, Spring 1993,

and facilities, and institutional activities such as public relations, marketing, and student services.

The committee hopes to

The Pub Night Will Survive!

by Justin Harding

Well, the verdict is out! The committee to organize a new policy concerning regulations for the consumption of that terrible A-word, alcohol, on U.B. campus, have made the decision: Pub Nights are not banned from the University of Bridgeport.

The last couple of pub nights at the Marina did not end without some incident. We all remember the fight outside the Dining Hall, at the end of the last pub night, on September 9. After this last incident the Marina Manager, Mike Larouso, said: "We're not going to have any more pub nights until there is a workable and understandable alcohol policy in place." Larouso also believes that social events, and especially those where alcohol is served, should be held at the Student Center and not in the Marina Dining Hall.

Many students were upset, after the rumor that pub nights will be banned from U.B. was spread. "We should be able to drink on campus," said senior Roland Gomez. "I'm of age and it's stupid that I can't drink on

campus. Students are going to drink; why force them to drink, and possibly drink and drive, off campus?"

Well, according to our latest information, the pub night will not go out of existence, but it will be reformed. Here's the new set of laws:

1. Bracelets; plastic coated bracelets must be provided for people over 21 at the entrance to an event.
2. Amounts of Alcohol; five 16 oz. cups of beer will be allowed at any pub-night event for people over 21. The plastic bracelets will be punched for each drink taken.
3. Cups; Two types of cups will be given out. One will be colored for beer, and the other, clear, for soda.
4. Workers; At least eight members of the sponsoring organization, all U.B. students must work at any event. Two of these workers must be observers who will guarantee that all rules at regulations are being followed.
5. Events; An organization is required to have one non-alcohol event in between the second and third alcohol events that they hold.

This month being Alcohol Awareness Month, a visual display



Alcohol Awareness Month Visual Display

play at irresponsible drinking was set up outside Marina Dining Hall—a wrecked vehicle. According to several students, an 18 year-old actually died in the car.

A banner was put by some students on the wrecked vehicle reading, "Mr. Abrams, this is what happens to students when there is no alcohol allowed on campus."

Abrar Fakhir reiterated, "We can't stop illegal drinking on campus, but we're have a policy that shows we've done our part to prevent it." And in response to the banner Mr. Southerland said, "Students can't accuse the administration for their own irresponsible actions." He went on to pose the question, "How can the administration be held responsible for a conscious decision of a student to break the law?"

There will be one more meeting of this committee to finalize the policy and also review the Connecticut State Law. The administration is not against alcohol on campus. It's just that the rules have been bent to the limit. Now, that the campus know the rules, it will be interesting to see what happens at the next pub.

Administrative Committee Meeting with U.B. Trustees on Pub Night
and Alcohol Policy on Campus

1. At the U.B. meeting, a report was given to the Trustees by the U.B. Trustees.

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News & Editorials

Publication of 94-95
Yearbook Approved

by Jamie Pulley

After a meeting on Friday, Oct. 21 with the Dean of Students, Janet Merritt, and Jeff Noreman of Walsworth Publishing, Wistarian Editor Jamie Pulley got the approval to publish a yearbook for the academic year 1994-95. Also active at this meeting were Sophomore Class President, Dave Erdner, and the Director of Student Activities, Mark Abrams.

Even though this decision marks the beginning of a new Wistarian era, it has taken over a year of research by Jamie Pulley, to get the yearbook back on its

feet.

What will the yearbook, or Wistarian, contain? It will be made up of 128 pages of black and white photos. The 1995 Seniors will have their portraits in the book, but this does not make it a "seniors yearbook" only. Every student, full-time or part-time, on or off campus, domestic or international, graduate or undergraduate, can have a place in the Wistarian. As long as you want to be in the yearbook, and help to support it, you will not be left out. Remember that the most important part of the book will be YOU.

In the next few weeks, flyers will be posted, to inform students of selling dates and locations.

Congress President
Talks to The Scribe

by Franck Adjisegbe

Roshan Thiran is the President of the Student Congress. His second floor office at the John J. Cox Student Center is cluttered with books, books and papers. He has an addiction to computer keyboard and a disturbing passion for chocolate ice cream.

In his trademark, jeans pants, he crossed his legs, ran his fingers through his hair, and got ready to answer the following questions for the Scribe.

The Scribe: A survey before this interview revealed that very few students know you as the President. What would you say is responsible for this unusual low profile?

Thiran: I think the low turn-out of voters during the elections is the reason I am not well-known. Right now, the Student Congress is in what we call "Establishing Ourselves" stage. This means we are trying to create mediums through which we can make available information about Student Congress activi-

ties to the student body of U.B. Examples are *The Congress Times* and the president's letters. I do assure you that very soon our activities shall be well-known.

The Scribe: In a brief statement, could you describe the present and future of U.B.?

Thiran: Presently, we all know that U.B. has a lot of problems. Personally, though I believe that the presence and potentials of such a large number of international students makes

U.B.'s future a bright one. Let me point out that there is a great need for mutual inter-activity among students and between faculties to realize the future dream of U.B. There is an attitude of "we can't do it" among students because we feel inferior to other schools.

The Scribe: If you were to cease being the President right after this interview, what two things would you regret not having done?

Thiran: That would not happen (laughter)...I would regret not

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Litterbugs Hit U.B.

by Emilia Sherifova

Albert Habbart said, "The path of civilization is paved with tin cans." Indeed, one arrives at this conclusion having cast a glance at the Residence Halls' surroundings. The first thing that strikes you is pollution, and litter is the most unpleasant part of it. It's litter that makes the green lawns look like the battle-

field—a good model for an abstract artist, but not a pleasant one for any other's eye.

But if the sight of the colored grass lawns just doesn't give any aesthetic enjoyment, then walking in the street becomes merely dangerous. Any moment one can slip on a banana peel, step over an empty bottle, or even get head injuries walking under the windows (the variety of objects flying out

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will fill out an initial intake form with you. After that, you will be referred to someone who can give you individual help in the course you require. Once you become part of the Center, you will find it an inviting and welcome place to return to often.

The Academic Resource Center offers services to the students on campus at Halsey House, 491 University Avenue. The Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays, and from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

The Center's basic goal is student academic success. With this goal in mind, Center staff provide tutoring and remediation help to students. Tutoring is available in all subject areas on a drop-in basis. Special help is available on demand for students enrolled in the following freshman courses: English 100,

Math 100X, English 115X and Psychology 103. Students can receive tutoring by appointment in all course areas: Modern Foreign Languages, Capstone, The American Dream, Accounting and Finance. Students should call at the Center at 576-4290 and speak to Peter Chuen regarding tutorial services. Under the direction of Dr. Suzanne Wilcox, the staff at the Center is made up of five graduate Teaching Interns who are working towards a Masters Degree in Education. These people are: Cliff Bronzo, Peter Chuen, Dianna Cooper-Davis, Terry Hogan-Pavlic and Marjorie Kopsco. These individuals hold small group follow up sessions in English 115X, and work in a variety of ways to support the work of the Center.

In response to the need among students in the Method of Inquiry Course (English 115X), which is taught by Professors Suzanne Wilcox and Donna Phillips, the Center staff have developed two additional

courses. The first course is American Culture, which familiarizes students with the American government, culture, religion, recreation and lifestyles, while giving them practice in speaking, reading and writing English. The second newly developed course is Grammar Group which gives students English grammar, punctuation and vocabulary help.

The Academic Resource Center will sponsor workshops throughout the semester. All workshops will be held at 491 University Avenue.

An average of 40 students come to the Center everyday for assistance. As the Center becomes an active and vital part of the University of Bridgeport, the staff will provide valuable assistance to the student body. The ultimate goal of the Center is to bolster motivation and provide students with the skills that lead to college success.

BSA—The Conflict Within

by Dana Castleberry

This is not an editorial. I plan to be as objective as possible. Or is that a subjective statement? Nevertheless, there is something new going on this year with the Black Student Alliance. Whether it is a creative beginning or a damaging onslaught depends on who you speak to.

Respected administrators and most upperclassmen who have participated with the BSA for years say that this new wave of opinions and ideas are disorderly and unprecedented. They only create havoc in an otherwise stable organization.

However, these "young front guns," backed by a few "savvy veterans," say that it is time for a change. They say the organization is out of touch with the black student's needs and wants, that the BSA has allowed itself to be dependent on the university, and only caters to the white hierarchy that runs it. A perfect example of how the BSA is out of touch is a new stipulation put into the rules and regulations of all organizations, say-

ing, "We do not discriminate against any race, creed, color, or religion...etc."

The young front say, "How can you have a Black Student Alliance, that is suppose to unite black students for academic and social events, if anyone can join?" The main gripe is that the organization as it stands now does not educate them on their heritage or culture and tries to do too many things that are irrelevant to their concerns. Damon Martin, one of the savvy veterans in support of change says, "The president and leading members of the BSA do not seem knowledgeable enough to create an Afro-Centric learning format to stimulate academic growth within the organization. I, along with new members, find

ourselves ignorant to our culture and heritage. We feel we must first discover this before anything else."

Traditionalists of the old BSA say that the club members need order and stability, that the present organization is fine if given a chance and supported. All can be accomplished if only done according to traditional procedure. Medina Gibson, a supporter of the traditional BSA says, "Tradition should never be forgotten." And neither should this conflict that could change the face of one of the oldest and most stable organizations at the University of Bridgeport. Meetings for the BSA are every Wednesday nights at 8:00 PM in the Student Center.

Student Poll

Would you go to a Halloween Bash
where alcohol were not served?

"I would go. Alcohol is not like a big deal. You can have fun without alcohol."

-Maria Melnikova



"Yes. I feel that anybody who wants to drink can do it before or after the party."

-Mercedes Norde



"No, I wouldn't go. I would feel stupid drinking soda at a party. The last time I did that was at the elementary school."

-Vassiliki Albani



"No. I would find a party elsewhere that had alcohol."

-Donald McGowan

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Dear Yoyo

Dear Yoyo,

I have a problem. I am a squirrel living in the Seeley-Barnum area, and every morning when I go to wash my face in the morning dew on the grass, I find more cigarettes butts everywhere! Please notify all students that I am sick and tired of seeing their trash and butts on my grass.

If they do not change, I'll have to resort to collecting their trash and aiming it back at them through their windows!

—Perturbed in pinetree

Dear Perturbed,

As soon as the guilty students realize what an inconvenience they have caused you, I'm sure that they will be more considerate and adhere to a simple rule they should have learnt in preschool.

—Yoyo

Yoyo is a junior at U.B. and would gladly take any questions you would like to discuss anonymously in The Scribe. Please send them to: YOYO, BARNUM 414

Letter to the Editor

In the article "To beep or not to beep," in the October 6, 1994 issue of The Scribe I was quoted saying that "\$80.00 is a small price to pay." Obviously, at whatever the cost, the beeper could not possibly "guarantee" everyone's personal safety.

Janet Merritt, Dean of Students.

Editor's Note

It is good to see that people are responding directly to The Scribe; this shows that the paper is taken seriously, which is something we have worked hard to achieve. As the editor of The Scribe, I take full responsibility for what is written in the paper, and I am open to comments, good or bad, about the material we publish.

In reply to Janet Merritt's letter, I have to stress that she was not misquoted at any point in the story "To Beep Or Not To Beep." If she felt, at the time of the interview, that the "beeper" cannot guarantee people's safety, this is not the impression she gave me. She did not use the actual word, "guarantee" (and I never said that she did), but she implied it. So, I do not really understand the point of her letter. Is she saying that I misunderstood her at the time of the interview, or that she changed her mind about the effectiveness of the "beeper?"

Please try to be more clear and specific in your comments or complaints, and make sure to state the reason for writing to The Scribe - this is the only way I can do justice to your letters.

Thank you

Trash

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deeply we are engage in the sin of gluttony.

Seriously speaking, the problem of pollution still remains largely unnoticed. Apparently, the significance of the problem is not realized by majority of the U.B. community. From the beginning of the term, lectures on different issues (such as "Alcohol Awareness," "Safe Sex," etc.) have been held. But there has been nothing mentioned about the pollution of the environment, even though it is well known that Bridgeport is one of the cities that leaves much to be desired in this respect.

Taking into consideration the present situation of the University, it is necessary to point out that its popularity will depend a great deal on its outward appearance and attractiveness. Besides the economic gains, there should be a moral obligation that any environmentally-conscious person should observe.

Professor Allen's Recipe for College Success

All right, so your high school preparation was lousy, your high school teachers gave ancient multiple choice tests and passed you if you breathed, your parents abandoned you to the TV set, and you went around in a fog of teenage sex longing. That's past. Your fate is in your own hands now. Blame yourself if college is hard. You're intelligent. You should have taken charge of your own educational needs years ago. Do it now.

The old rule of hours in a

classroom in proportion to hours outside a classroom in study still applies: Two hours for every one hour of class. If you're carrying 15 credit hours, you should be spending 45 hours, minimum, on schoolwork. The average executive close to 50. Workers and executives make more money. You have more vacation time. Workers on the job and executives usually work for someone else. In college, you work for yourself. 45 hours a week. If you're also carrying a part-time job, so what? Millions and millions do the same.

Want a quick secret for suc-

cess in college and in life? Do 10% more than the minimum requirement for any task. It's that simple: 10% more.

Success in American college work depends on your attending classes regularly, day after day, week after week, month after month, semester after semester. If you can't learn to attend classes regularly, you're not learning to get to your eventual job (the rest of your life) regularly and you'll be fired. Bye-bye house, big screen TV, political power, fun in the sun, and the pleasures of accomplishment and of doing something worth-

while with your life.

You need a schedule book. A detailed schedule book, not one of those little hip pocket or purse things. You need to plan your weeks and your months in detail. You particularly need to plan your work so you'll have free time: whole afternoons or evening of leisure without the nagging worry you've forgotten or repressed something you were supposed to be doing. Keeping schedules frees you more than restrains you.

Deadlines for work due are extremely important tests in and of themselves. Another simple

secret of success: When you have a deadline for work due, move the deadline ahead. Finish Wednesday's work Tuesday, Thursday's work Wednesday, and so on. Give yourself a grace period. Stay ahead.

Also, remember that professors schedule their work, their grading of papers, too. Late work screws up professors' lives. That talking head in front of the classroom actually has a life. You might want to consider that.

—continued in the next Scribe issue.



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Campus Life



Campus Life

Daily and Hennik
Speak for SCUBAby Fatima Mugabe,
and Soon Young Kim

The Social Cerebral Society of the University of Bridgeport in America (SCUBA) presented their second and third speakers this semester. On October 6, the Managing Editor of the Connecticut Post came to U.B. On October 19, Arthur Hennik, Director of Communications of the 1995 Special Olympics, was the guest speaker.

As always, the students socialized before the speakers began talking. On October 6, Professor Lamont Thomas introduced the "mystery speaker." Mike Daily has been with the Connecticut Post for about 22 years, most of the time as a writer. Mr. Daily's visit was an interesting one, as

relations between U.B. and the Connecticut Post have been strained over the past few years.

Daily spoke about himself and his experiences in the journalism profession. He spoke of the role of the press in today's society. Newspapers and editors do determine what the public thinks about and what it does not think about, he said. His advice to the public is not to take everything that journalists report as gospel truth.

Daily also admitted that newspapers are really a business. Response from the public, in the form of letters and editorials, helps the editors improve their "business" and make it more appealing to the readers/customers.

Many students wanted to know why the

Connecticut Post has written such negative stories about U.B. Daily replied that newspapers never ignore events that are happening no matter how negative or controversial they may seem. The meeting ended with the SCUBA elections for President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The President is Junior Rodriguez and the Secretary is Sharon Mugabe.

The speaker on October 19 was Arthur Hennik from the 1995 Special Olympics Organizing Committee. The Special Olympics are for athletes living with mental retardation. The primary site for the games is New Haven, though events will be held in New London and Old Lyme.

There will be 7,000 athletes from 140 countries taking part in the Special Olympics. Each city in Connecticut will be hosting different countries. Most of the former Soviet countries

like Yugoslavia, Palestine, and Israel, plus South Africa, will be new members of the Special Olympics.

The specific help that the Organizing Committee needs boils down to four categories: delegation host leader, delegation host, venue leader, and interpreter.

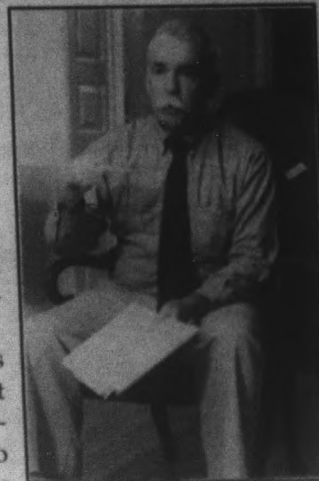
The goals of the Host Town programs are to promote public awareness about Special Olympics, seek increased public involvement, provide international delegations time to rest and adjust, and to enrich the lives of everyone involved.

The general requirements are that volunteers have adequate physical sta-

mina to tolerate heat, humidity, and long hours, be older than 18 years old and be fluent in English.

Hennik noted that if you believe you are "reliable, flexible, enthusiastic, and energetic" you can belong to the biggest volunteer team in the world—about 45,000 strong! In the Special Olympics, everyone is a winner.

SCUBA invites you to become a winner also, by becoming a volunteer. SCUBA meetings will continue every first and third Wednesday of the month. Everyone is invited.



Mike Daily

Review: Bridgestock '94

by Markus Nottelmann

Yes! Exciting things do take place at U.B.! Last Friday saw one of the most exhilarating events to happen here this semester. From 9 p.m. to well after midnight three bands rocked the Arnold Bernhard Center to its foundations. During the three hours of Bridgestock '94 seismic readings for Connecticut at Jet Propulsions Laboratories in California were said to have reached 5.5 on the Richter scale.

The concert was opened by Innertube, a group from New York City, and it took the band only two rock'n'roll pieces to get the crowd of more than two hundred people on their feet. Innertube's music must have hit the right note as most people started dancing enthusiastically in front

of the stage.

After Innertube, rather than sitting down and taking a break, people waited expectantly for the second group, Compulsives, to come on stage. Their fast rhythm made the crowd dance more



Innertube

wildly than before. Shirts came off as people tried to keep up with the beat.

The evening was



Joe Longo in action

crowned by The Ancestors who inspired the audience with their slightly psychedelic, alternative rock. People kept on dancing for another hour, and asked for encores, even though the official concerts end had already been past. It did not seem possible for the three bands to tire out those hard core rockers otherwise known as U.B. students.

Several students, asked about the concert responded enthusiastically. Ikumi Yano, a music major, admitting that this was her first time at a rock concert

commented on the styles of the three bands. "They all had different styles. The first two groups had a fast beat, whereas The Ancestors' music was slower, but deeper."

Anthony Coffey, a student at the Boston Art Institute, who came all the way to U.B. for Bridgestock, said: "I liked the concert a lot. There should be more concerts similar to this. All the bands were good, but I really liked 'The Ancestors'."

Jessica Han, a journalism major, said: "It was great. I loved the music. I really liked The Ancestors. But, I prefer Innertube." Asked whether U.B. should have more concerts like this, her simple answer was "I hope so!"

The bands too were thrilled by the concert.



The Ancestors

Compulsives' band leader Jonny Jingo, asked about Bridgeport and the concert, said "Bridgeport is exquisite."

It was really nice to perform alternative rock for such open-minded people, especially as most people nowadays only listen to what they hear on the radio. The audience responded really well and everyone was having a lot of fun. Giving people hope and having fun

is what it is all about. This was one of the best gigs we did in months." Jingo also thanked Student Congress for the excellent organization.

Joe Longo, lead singer of

See Bridgestock, page 9.

GALIENTE

by Roberto Labrator

On Thursday, October 13, the Latino Student Association held their first annual dinner/dance in the Student Center Social Room. Although the turnout of students was not as expected,

(which, by the way, one could attribute to the fact that no liquor was served at the event), the night went by very pleasantly, with food, song and dance.

The short, but well rounded menu consisted of pork, fried plantains, potato salad, yellow rice and Spanish pastries. Dinner was from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., and it was followed by danc-

ing. The music, played by DJ Pepe, was a mixture of all many kinds of music, from salsa to hip hop and from reggae to house. It took students a while to occupy the dancing floor, but when the lights went down and the clock struck 10, the party mode began to take full mode.

All in all, this Hispanic Cultural event was a success.

By the end of this event, the hot plates were empty, the room was full of happy faces, and the cash box at the door was not just jingling with change anymore.

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Campus Life

Sing Along UB!

by Michico Murayama

Everyone is familiar with the word "Karaoke." But, how many people know the real meaning of the word?

According to a Japanese Dictionary, "karaoke" is made up of two words: "kara," which means empty, and "oke," which means orchestra. So the word means "singing to music without the lyrics."

Karaoke has become a very popular Japanese import. It started in Japan about 15 years ago, when high school students and senior citizens alike, introduced karaoke in their leisure time in Japan. Soon, this trend became

popular in the United States as well.

On Friday, October 7, the Japanese Association (J.A.) held a "Karaoke Night" in the small Marina Dining Hall, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. This was one of the weekly events of a month long



Justin Harding reveals hidden talent

culture sharing program called "Windows To The World." It was the first event by Japanese students in the program.

The Japanese Association gave U.B. students the opportu-

nity to sing their favorite song with a mike in front of an audience, and to have fun without alcohol. Attendance was higher than expected.

"I am so glad that both native and International students came and had fun, even though we served only juice, snacks and karaoke," said Hidekazu Hara, the person in charge of the event.

"It was good. We, U.B. students, need to have this kind of events more often," said Justin Harding, the President of the Junior class, who attended the event and sang two songs.

The J.A. also had a Japanese Movie Night on Oct. 13, a Japanese cultural night on Oct. 20, and a Japanese Food Festival on Oct. 24.

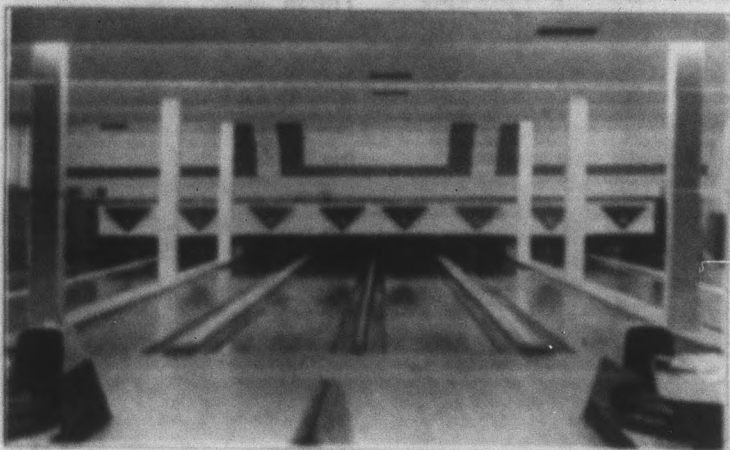
Bowling Alley Finally Open

by Fatima Mugabe

Bowling at U.B. seems to have sprung from nowhere. Geno Bizewski, or simply Geno,

Marina Dining Hall and leads an active athletic life, decided it was time to revamp the bowling facilities at U.B.

The bowling alley in the basement of the Student Center



The Bowling Alley at the Student Center

as most students know him, is behind the whole idea. It is a joint venture between him and a friend, Geno, who also works at

is currently open from 6 to 10 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, except for Saturday's, when it open from 4 p.m. to

midnight. Prices are relatively cheap at 50 cents for shoe rentals and \$1.50 per game. The Saturday Special is \$4 and includes free shoe rental, three games and a movie.

Both international and American students have so far taken a keen interest in bowling. As Geno expected, the weekend turnout is quite good. Right now he is putting up posters inviting people to go bowling. He hopes to eventually be able to organize competitions between the dorms. To ensure that patrons of the bowling alley do not run out of steam, a variety of snacks and drinks are on sale.

Geno's main concern is to utilize the Student Center more and create more entertainment possibilities for students. He is making a difference at U.B. Instead of moaning about a lack of activities on campus, let's support Geno and go bowl-

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* Week of November 17—Student Advising Week—see your advisor

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SPOTLIGHT



Name: John Polascik

Occupation: Bursar

DOB: Classified Information

Birthplace: Bridgeport

What is the one thing you cannot live without?
My family

If you could change something about yourself, what would it be?
To stop smoking

If you were not here, where would you like to be?
Myrtle Beach—there are over 100 exclusive golf courses there.

If you were not the Bursar, what would you be?
A professional golf player.

If you could play the leading role in the remake of a movie, what role would it be?
Bruce Willis in "Die Hard I & II."

If you could dedicate a song to President Eigel, what would it be?
"The Piano Man" by Billy Joel.

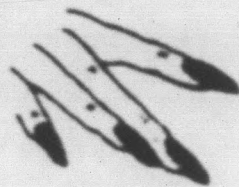
What is the best thing someone said about you?
That they love my sense of humor.

What is the worst thing someone said about you?
I'm not compassionate (finance).

What is the most effective thing to do to get you angry?
Students who procrastinate.

Where do you see yourself 20 years from now?
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PERSONALS

Wayne-
HEY DAISY!

-You know who

Agatha-

Aren't you always forgetting to go somewhere?

-Love ya, kay

Vassie-

La cucaracha, la cucaracha!

Celine-

Get well soon and take it eas, o.k.?

-Your roommate

Sharon-

It's unbelievable. I love you.

-Fatima

M-

"... if it doesn't come back, it never was yours to begin with!"

Veronica-

Thank you girl for the 3 a.m. advice on the phone. helped a lot.

-an x roomy

Justin-

Whooose side are you on anyway?

-God

Bino-

HEY TIGER!!

Vassie-

It may be loud, but it takes us to the bank!!!

-Your little sister

Santa-

You are the greatest. Keep smiling.

-Fatima

Jessica-

I will come to choir sometime.

-Me

Zaid & Ros-

Selamat Pengantin Baru. Sehingga Berkekalan ke Anak Cucu!

-Budak-budak Malaysia

Evie-

You're still f---ing irresistible, & they still f---ing come back!!

-Love, the other f---ing irresistible one!

Nana-

Girl, make up your mind! M--- / C--- / L---

??

-Joyce

Karina-

Starting off from the tip. Like the "good rides."

-V.

Maria-

Don't worry, you're still cool with us, even though you don't have those "brown eyes"!!

-Love ya, the crew.

Larry-

I want a "personal show" of "it had to be you," etc!!!

-your sweetie

Dare-

Hi! We are truly sorry. You have our love and support.

-Fatima & Sharon

Ling-

U light up my life!

-Mei

Evie-

When life seems to be going down hill, just find a b... and s... its h....

-Love ya, Kay

Mid Night Crew-

Three inches is never enough in Baseball

-Nod

Kinger-

Are you coming home tonight?

Jen-

Beep, Beep, Beep

T.H.-

THINK what you are DOING!

-Your friends

Vero-

Okay, it's OURS!!

-Maria

Lithuanian girls-

Get a life!

Zoran-

Aphrodite

-L

Dora-

The green one is alright, but the black one's smooth!

Evie + Scribe-

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK GUYS!

Stefan-

What do you want for your birthday - maybe a yellow sweater?

-Las Bubasvabas

Agatha-

The first stage is denial, so first admit it. Yes, you K---oked with the rest of us!

-Love, the K. Queens

Huilin-

This is a belated message: "Welcome to U.B."

-JL

AT&T-

Be AT&T, and keep that smile too!

-KAK "J"

Evie-

What's up with the tissues? You know, we live on the same floor too!

-V.

Socrates, socrates,

Bobocrates, Bananafana,

Focrates, Bee, By, Bocrates

SOCRATES!!

-Love, the Karaoke Queens!

Jennifer-

Did you have a good time? Of course you did!!!

Hey Santa-

Do you want to go for RI this weekend?

Kores-

Se ida sto balconi sou, na liazis to kormi sou, Ai gamisou, ai gamisou, E ADE KE GAMISOU!!!

-G

Socrates-

Maybe I intentionally lost in poker once. Theoretically I didn't want to make you feel bad.

Alexander-

Mori Gamiola

-Laz

Larry-

Vidal Sassoon sucks comparing 2 u!

-007

Evie-

The blue stuff was great, wasn't it?

-Your fruity cocktail drinking friend!

Maria M. -

"Did the donkey get untied?"

-V.

Swedes-

Grow it back and fast!

Dana-

"Come on, Rocky boy."

For everybody who knows me-

I AM NOT RUSSIAN!

Corey-

Promise that you won't say anything to anyone. I trust you anyway. It's others that I shouldn't have trusted.

-Love you, you know who

Agatha-

Be more "quiet" so that you won't be homeless over the weekends.

Vero-

Someone loves you honey... Actually ALL of US love you HONEY!!

-The Karaoke Queens

Maria-

Get your radio back soon, or you'll have me (and the muffler) singing, and you don't want that!

-V.

Sarah-

Do you want to knock knock and Beep Beep??

Ange-

If you would have only given me that last cup...

Karina-

The B&B investigation office kicks butt! We're the best, babe, face it!!

-Love you, the beautiful, unforgettable B.

To the Greeks-

Stop talking shit to each other.

-Laz

To the Karaoke Queens-

We WILL Survive!!

Martha-

How about some homework tonight?

Kim-

Do you wanna buy a duck? You know, the one that quacks.

Eria-

Go for it. At least you don't have a moustache to tickle him!

-V.

Vassie-

One, two, three, four, five... Guess what I am counting!

-Evie

To V. M. A. E. V.-

You're all F---ing irresistible!!

-Love ya all, kay

Larry-

Jack is the best. Johnny Walker sucks.

-Lazaros.

To Seeley Russians-

How about having a nice baragoz this weekend?

-T. Dogg

Dora-

How fluently would you be able to speak German after two months of talking on the phone?

-G.

Evie-

How come it always happens and we get confused counting?

-Your roommate

Veronica-

Go for the Federal Express! At least some qualities (my type of qualities) are guaranteed!

-V.

Kim-

If it wasn't for all those "cram sessions," I wouldn't have passed my tests!

Sarah-

Hey slugger! Are you ready for round two?

Karina-

We got busted! "If a girl drinks, if she smokes, she..."

-Vassie

Agatha-

We gotta go shopping. I heard Trumbull is stocking up on silver!

-Love ya, kay

Evie-

Don't you ever dare to tell me again that a guy is "Kalos" and "glykos" because oullo ta idia skata ine!!

-G

G-

You are right. What else can I say?

-Evie

Ana & Vero-

Thanks for the fries!!!

-Love, the Karaoke Queens.

Jen-

"Do you wanna sleep in your bed?" "Who? Me? NEVER!"

Health concern:

Pinching causes cancer!

Eria-

Here is a quiz for you. Who is ugly, has a big villos and a big variety of transportation means?

-Love, G.

Wanna have fun? Look at Moomichka.

V. M. K. A. E. -

For the last time, isn't BB sexy?

-The pretty one

Maro-

Tell me girl, are there any good men upstate New York, because here they are all "ximarismeni avkorites." By the way, when is the next phonecall?

-G.

Vassie-

Remember to always act "Like a virgin" when the case comes to the "tip."

-Love ya, Kay

Justin H.-

I'm sorry to disappoint you but cotton is not the fabric of my life. And, I do not speak Korean, so next time try to leave your messages in English!

-Evie

To bratva-

Kolyosa - delo tonkoe...

-From bratva

Jasmine-

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! YOU'RE THE BEST SISTER IN THE WORLD!

-Jessica

Rod Carveth-

Thank you for the trip to Boston. Sorry you had to sit on the floor—we wanted to offer you a sit, but we figured you would give us an 'A' anyway. We hope everything goes well with your operation. Get well soon so that we can go back for the liquorish rice.

-Evie & Jessica

Thiran

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being able to build a strong and functional student assembly, and secondly, the lack of active all-student involvement in Congress.

The Scribe: Whom will you recommend as a hero?

Thiran: Jesus Christ.

He gave his leadership-position-filled resume to me, adding, Hellen Keller said, "Life is a daring adventure or nothing."

Bridgestock

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The Ancestors expressed his satisfaction about the concert by saying "It was fun. I really loved it. Everybody was excited. The bands and the crowd gave everything. We really got good vibes going and everyone had a good time. I think Student Congress did a good job organizing Bridgestock and taking care of the bands. Thank you all."

Compulsives are going to be recording their second CD this fall, and will return to the road on December 2nd when they will be playing at the University of Virginia. The Ancestors will continue their busy tour schedule along the East Coast, with concerts at Continental Divide, SUNY, and FIT, all in New York, next week.

I am the master
of my fate: I am
the captain of
my soul.

William Ernest Henley

Mental Edge

Lower East Side

Coca-Cola cans and old newspapers rattle in the wind, as night falls on the streets of Bridgeport. Street lights begin to pour orange colored shapes through the neighborhood windows as a sign that it's time to go inside. Except for the small congregation of homeboys running their business on the corner, this is not the kind of place where the general population takes an evening stroll. Too much happens around here. Almost every night, a building bursts and burns. Plastic vials line the streets in a dazzling display of rainbow colors. A million colors, on a million caps, for a million crackheads.

-Roberto Labrador



Zima

My brother is scared of demons
He talks about them
sometimes
They are in his mind
He cannot forget

My brother finds peace in the stars
He talks to them
drunk
and watches
lying on the side walk
waiting for one to fall
to wish away the demons

-A. E. Kotsrednav

I Danced

I danced and forgot about tomorrow.

The night was warm

I knew no harm

My feet were light

It felt so right

I danced all night long

I danced...

-Fatima Mugabe

Autumn's Return

Have you seen a city burn

As fire cascades from branches

Does not your soul slightly scorch

As ashes crunch beneath your feet

-J.J. van der Stok

Shadows

Shadows of those who hit and ran

Shadows that creep in through the cracks of life and throw the past at you

Let them be what they are

They cannot touch you anymore

They are nothing but Shadows

- Evie Andreou

"EVERY
MAN'S LIFE
IS A FAIRY-
TALE
WRITTEN BY
GOD'S
FINGERS."

HANS CHRISTIAN
ANDERSON

Jon's Snow Queen

Just before sunrise Mother woke us. My brother and I slept on the ground where it was cool and smelled of earth. I lay there scratching my newly acquired mosquito bites, then sat up and threw on my shirt. It was too big and you couldn't see my hands. Everyone went outside like we were supposed to. I looked up at Mother; her back was not as straight as it used to be. But her chin was up like she knew she was right about something. She squeezed my hand and pulled both William and I close to her. They made us stand in perfect rows, barking commands. Every morning the same. I raised my hands to my head. As the first beams of the Indonesian sun stretched over the peaceful volcano horizon, we bowed down to the ground. They forced their emperor god upon

us. I was nine years old at that time, two years older than my brother. As the light stretched out, the Palm, and Rambutan trees took form. No trees grew on this side of the barbed wire fence, I thought to my self. And I wished for a tree, any tree I might climb.

Before the Japanese had taken over, we had lived in a big white house filled with cool shade. Father was the first to own a car in our neighborhood, and I proudly sat next to him as the Indonesian village children ran behind us, yelling and laughing. We had cooks and servants who wore batik sarongs; colorful dresses that they wrapped around themselves. Mother had proper clothes sent for from Europe. I had never been there. Father told me that he would send me

to school in Europe, and I could ride on a big ship for many months.

Uncle Max had come to visit from the Netherlands, and would sit on the outside steps talking to Father until late at night. They would smoke pipes together and the sweet tobacco smell would trickle into my room. When I was big I too would smoke a pipe, I told my self and watched the little Cicak lizards that ran up and down my wall. Uncle Max would tell William and I stories about castles, ugly giants, and a Snow Queen who lived in Europe. He gave us each a ten cent piece. It had the face of a queen on one side, which I was sure was the Snow Queen. One night he told us about the Sandman who came when we were sleeping and put sand in our eyes so that we could dream.

That night I dreamt that bad men came with guns and took

Uncle Max and Father away. Mother was screaming until no sound came out of her. When I woke up I was sitting in a bumpy truck squashed next to Mother who was holding a bundle of our things on her lap. Her face was dirty from the dust but I could see the lines where she had cried. I asked her where we were going but her eyes were closed. I wanted to tell her about my dream but I could not.

When I woke up again the truck had stopped and everywhere was jungle and dark scary noises. Slanted eyed men like in my dream told us to pass through a gate, we could not bring anything with us. I had my ten cents in my pocket which I clutched tightly in my fist. Some women wept clinging onto their bags as if it was all they had. It was. They took everything from us but my Snow Queen.

For a very long time we

only ate boiled tapioca, yams, and watery rice-soup. The tapioca would make us fart and everyone had diarrhea. There was no water and I got very sick. I would lay under a sheet so the mosquitoes wouldn't get me, on the cool earth floor. Suddenly everything felt horribly rough then soft, then I felt big and then small, quickly it changed back and forth. Rough, soft, rough, soft, small, big, rough, big, "Aaah!" I screamed. My Snow Queen came and put her hand on my forehead, and the only thing I felt was quiet, quiet, silence.

I would tell Uncle Max about my Queen, I promised myself. But only Father came back after the war, and I did not recognize him. I never saw Uncle Max again. I would hold my beautiful Snow Queen gently in my hand and look at her smile.

-J.J. van der Stok

Come on Down!

The Wheeler Recreation Center is Open

by Santa Puce

When the Wheeler Recreation Center (WRC) first opened its doors in September 1979, its director, Dr. Thomas Sowyer, stated that the aim of the center is "to satisfy the recreational needs of the U.B. community, and to develop a healthy interaction among and between the various constituent groups on campus." Today, according to Sandra Batsu, supervisor and secretary of the WRC, the main aim of the center has not changed a lot since Sowyer made the above statement. "We still stick to this first premise," Batsu said. "We want to provide our facility for recreation to all students, faculty and alumni."

The \$2 million center was named in honor of Edith S. Wheeler in memory of her late sister, Rudy E. Wheeler. Both sisters were prominent figures in the field of education throughout the Bridgeport area. The WRC was the first building on campus named after a U.B. graduate, and also the first one totally privately funded, with Edith Wheeler providing the largest dona-

tion. The center's University Avenue location is perfect for students who live on

h courts; a 25-meter, 6 lane Olympic swimming pool; a coed steam room; locker rooms; a field house



Wheeler Recreational Center

campus. The WRC is just across the street from Chaffee Hall, and only a couple of minutes' walk from the farthest dormitory, Seeley Hall.

Those transfer, interna-

"We are alive here. There are so many buildings you go in and they are quiet. But there is always something going on here."

-Dr. Wil Berger
Director of W.R.C.

tional, or new home students who, due to their busy school schedules have not made their way to the WRC yet, should do it soon, to see what the center offers.

The WRC houses four racquetball/handball/squa-

shooting courts, three adaptable courts for basketball, tennis, volleyball and badminton; and two weight rooms. Aerobics and weightlifting classes are offered at the center.

The fee for using the facilities in the WRC is included in each full time undergraduate's tuition. The only additional charges are for badminton, tennis, and racquetball racket rentals.

According to Sandra Batsu, the two weight rooms are the busiest places at the center. "At the very beginning, we had just one weight room," said Batsu, who has worked at the Center since 1981. "Then, in 1982, a free weight room

was added."

The concern with personal fitness certainly is reflected in those who use the center, observed Batsu. "Even though there are fewer people using the facility as when the center opened," she continues, "there is a need for larger weight rooms. They are very popular among students and faculty members."

Staffing at the center, or rather the lack of it, has been a problem, however. "We have only one recreation aid," says Batsu. "And when he is busy, I might end up changing nets myself in the field house."

Besides the additional, part time recreation aide and intramural director, who usually is a graduate student, the facility is staffed by students. "The biggest problem is that all these students are full time undergraduates, and replacements are not available in case of changes in these students' schedules. This is why many times you can find Batsu, Dr. Berger (Director), or Johny (recreation aide) at the front desk. "We especially need American Red Cross certified lifeguards. So, if anybody has their certification, please come down. We need you!" says Batsu.

The center might not be open until 11 p.m. as it used

to be when the enrollment here at U.B. was close to 10,000. And it might not have "night owl specials" anymore, when the center opened its doors from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. The WRC might have its drawbacks, such as when the temperature drops during the harsh winters, or water leaks



Sandra Batsu

when it rains. But, let's be honest, where else is there a facility available with so many opportunities for so little money?

So, where are you U.B. students? Come on down!

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Mable McKoy

"The Laundry Mom"

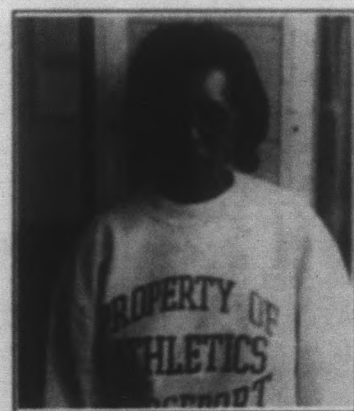
by Santa Puce

Mable can be called a "laundry mom" in the athletic department. She is the one who, eight hours a day for the last three years, has washed mud, grass and sweat out of soccer, and baseball players' socks, T-shirts and shorts.

Mable McKoy, a native of South Carolina, came to Connecticut in 1960, where she worked as a Food Service Manager in the Norwalk Hospital. Bridgeport became "her town" later, when she started to work as a cook in the Dining Hall (then located at the Student Center) here at U.B. "I worked there (Student Center) for about two years, and then we moved to Marina," remembers Mable.

Unfortunately for her and many other employees, the strike left her without a job. After a year of forced unemploy-

ment, Mable was offered a place in the athletic department to take care of the sport teams' equipment. "I was asked to come for an interview," says Mable. "Although I had never done this kind of job before, I thought that



I would try. So, I did; and I am here since."

For many of us, this kind of job may seem very easy at first: open washing machine, add detergent, wait for clothes to be washed, and then put them in

the dryer. No problem, everything is automatic, one would think. But, do not be misled. Although the enrollment at U.B. has dropped, and so has the number of players, the number of teams (7) has remained the same. And Mable was given a job that was previously done by three or four workers. "At the very beginning it was kind of hard," she says. "But, as soon as I got organized, it became much easier."

Now that Mable knows every single corner of the equipment room, she appears quite happy that there is no one to share her duties with. If somebody touches things in her room, Mable can tell at once. "The first thing I do when I come in at 9 in the morning, I tour my area to see if somebody's been there," says Mable.

After her tour, Mable begins the daily process of washing, sorting things out, ironing, putting uniforms on shelves (to please everyone, every player has his/her own separate place in these shelves), washing again,

and so on, and so on, and so on.

The busiest time of the year for Mable is basketball season, when she has to take care of both men's and women's teams, and wash practice uniforms twice a day (the basketball teams have two practices, almost every

day). Game days keep her even busier, as the equipment balls, nets etc. should be in order and prepared.

When asked about the secrets of her job, Mable starts laughing. "Would it be a secret then, if I told you?"

Throughout her life, Mable has not strayed far from sports. "I played basketball in high school myself. That's probably

why I like it the most," she says. "I always loved sports, but before coming here - to the athletics department - I really didn't have time to follow it so much. Small wonder, given the nine children Mable has to take care of.

As a member of the soccer team, I often catch myself and other players, when tired or sad because of a bad play, just throwing our uniforms in a pile, not really caring that game shirts are mixed together with sweats, rocks, towels, shin guards, or even cleats. But,

Mable does not mind. "I know you guys don't have time. And when you do something wrong," she says, "I have to give a little extra, just like I do for my kids. And I take you all as my kids."

"Although I had never done this kind of job before, I thought that I would try. So, I did; and I am here since."

-Mabel McKoy

Sports

ATHLETIC NEWS

by Santa Puce

Men's Soccer:

Mariusz Mierzejewski added two goals and one assist as the men's soccer team topped Teikyo Post University on Oct. 21. The game, which was dominated by the "Purples" (U.B. outshooting Teikyo Post 28 to 7) did not see its first goal until late in the first half, when Mierzejewski scored from the corner kick. In the second half, the same player added a second goal, while brothers Mats and Mattias Peterson scored a goal each.

On Oct. 22, UB has a record of 8-6, while four more tough games remain before the end of this season.

Women's Soccer:

The women's soccer team lost the game against Bryant College (0:2) on Thursday, Oct. 20, thus lowering their overall record to 6-7-2. With three games left before the end of the season, the team is unlikely to finish at .500, given that two of the last three opponents are ranked nationally.

Freshman golie Amy Hemberger was injured after colliding with a Le Moyne forward in the Oct. 8 game. Hemberger is out for the rest of the season.

Men's Basketball:

Men's Head Coach Bruce Webster looks optimistic about this year's basketball season (starts on November 18). His players have already started practicing, and are looking forward to their first game which will be against the American International College. In the meantime, the traditional "Purple vs White" game will be held at the Harvey Hubbell gymnasium at 7:30 p.m., Thursday November 10.

Women's Basketball:

Last year's NECC Champions have started their practice sessions with numerous injuries. The biggest loss for the team seems to be the knee injury of Center Barbara Love that will keep her out of the Basketball Court for a while. The traditional "Purple vs White" game for women will be held at the Harvey Hubbell gymnasium at 6 p.m., Thursday November 10.

by Larry Albino

The U.B. Women's Soccer team improved its score to 6-6-2, with two shutout wins and a scoreless tie.

On October 10, the team completely dominated Emerson College with a 5-0 win, as U.B. Goalie Santa Puce came up with an impressive shutout! During the game, Jena Steinle pulled off an incredible hat trick (three goals in one game), while teammates Jen King and Kimberly Schilke contributed one goal apiece.

On Saturday Oct. 15, visiting Ramapo College frustrated U.B.'s defense as the game

ended in a scoreless tie.

On Oct. 18, Women's Soccer team traveled to Springfield to face Western New England College. U.B.'s offense contin-

ued to sputter in the first half, but in the second half Alanna Tanner scored on a penalty kick. Teammate Jena Steinle booted in a goal, and goalie Santa Puce sti-

fled Western New England's attack, as U.B. scored a 2-0 win. It was the second shutout win for Puce, who is replacing injured Amy Hemberger.

The U.B. Women's Soccer team has proven to be determined and very aggressive this year, with a mixture of veterans and rookies.

Puce feels that the team is "much better and more skillful this year," yet realizes they "need time to play together as a team." She is optimistic they can finish the year at .500.



ATHLETE PROFILE: Jena Steinle

Achievements:

Two hat-tricks in the first season of playing in U.B.
Sept. 14—against Elms
Oct. 10—against Emerson

Scoring leader on the team—7 goals, 2 assists, 16 points

4.0 GPA

Age: 19

Hometown: Casper, Wyoming

Year in College: Sophomore

Major: Psychology

Nickname: None

Favorite subject: English

Least favorite: Mathematics

Admired athlete: Michael Jordan

Jordan

Sports fantasy: Play for U.S. National Team in World Cup, and score the winning goal

Favorite author/book: John Steinbeck book: "Catcher in the Rye"

Previous school: St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, IN

Favorite entertainer: Melissa Etheridge

Favorite food: homemade chicken noodles (by mom)

Least favorite: liver and onions

Childhood dream job: corporate lawyer on Wallstreet

Career goal: to get Ph.D. in sports psychology

Hobby: any sports (tennis, ski-

ing, basketball, music, hanging with friends)

Ambition in sports: to have 20 points this season, bring team on very competitive level during the next two years

Most memorable game: 1993—state semifinals—senior in high school, in penalty shoot-out scored the winning goal

Values: loyalty, intelligence, humor

Dislikes: egotistical types, gossip

Quote you live by: "You don't have to have a lead, if you have a heart to come from behind."

On school: "It's improving. I am having a lot of fun. Most of my professors are nice."

On team: "Most of the times,



we get along really well, which makes a lot of fun. As for the play, we've been improving from game to game, and I think that next year, we can be really good."

1994 Men's Basketball Schedule

November

18 American Int. College

Away 3:00 p.m.

19 Quinnipiac College

Away 6:00 p.m.

26 New York Tech

Home 7:30 p.m.

28 Italian National Team

Home 7:00 p.m.

1994 Women's Basketball Schedule

November

19 Bridgeport Invitational

Home 2 & 4 p.m.

20 Bridgeport Invitational

Home 1 & 3 p.m.

28 Quinnipiac College

Away 5:30 p.m.

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